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Arizona Department of Corrections Celebrates Women's History Month

March is Women's History Month. The Arizona Department of Corrections will recognize exemplary female correctional professionals at a Women's History Month Celebration on Wednesday, March 29 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Valley Garden Center, 1809 N. 15th Avenue in Phoenix.

Featured speakers for the ceremony include Arizona Representative Trish Groe and locally renowned author, Jana Bommersbach. Terry Gilberg, host of the Terry Gilberg program on NewsTalk 550-KFYI, is the emcee for the ceremony. A number of extraordinary state correctional employees will be recognized at this celebration for their exceptional service.

The women who serve in the Arizona Department of Corrections help build safer communities, and serve as exemplary role models at work and throughout the state. Today, women make up 34.8 % percent of the department's workforce and serve in every capacity at headquarters, in the correctional facilities and in the field, occupying key positions including administrators, correctional and parole officers, investigators, recruiters, health service and programs services.

Members of the media planning to cover the event should arrive at 11:45 a.m. and report to the banquet room.